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LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

A bill to incorporate the Mammoth Cave Hotel and Railroad Company, has been referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A House bill already passed upon, authorizing Graves county to levy an *ad valorem* tax for the purpose of building a new court-house passed the Senate also and one authorizing the same county to issue bonds for certain purposes was then passed.

Other Senate bills passed as fol-

lows:
Incorporating the Floyd and Chestnut street Church of Christ, at Louisville, incorporating the Bank of Pikeville, Pike county, and one amending the charter of the Union County Fair Company.

The following bills have passed the House:
One to charter the Central City Water Company; one to incorporate the Mt. Minish Cemetery Company, of Owen county; one to incorporate the town of Somersett; one amending the charter of the town of Georgetown; one to incorporate the town of Salt Lick, in Bath county; one to incorporate the Shelby county Baptist Ministerial Aid Society; one to incorporate the District of Clinton, in Campbell county; one to renew the charter of the Alexandria and Flagg Spring Turnpike Road Company, in Campbell county; one to amend an act to establish a new charter for the town of Elkhorn, Todd county; the charter having been approved in '81; one for the benefit of C. J. Watkins, of Trigg county; one to incorporate the Morrison Male and Female Seminary, in Boyle county; one providing that none of the provisions of the chapter in the General Statutes on "Gaming" shall be construed to apply to shooting matches for shares in any animal or fowl, and that this shall be a capital offense that any person, who, for such sport, shall be well liable to arrest or indictment; one fixing the time when the General Assembly shall convene and fixing the compensation of all members. In the bill the time for convening is set for October 3, and the pay is fixed at \$500 with fifteen cents mileage.

A bill has been offered by Mr. Worrell of Graves county, making it a misdemeanor for fraudulent packing and prizing tobacco, the punishment on conviction to be a fine of \$200 or less at the discretion of the court. The bill applies to Graves county only. A similar bill in the representation of all the counties in the State. A bill requiring proprietors of patent medicines to furnish a formula of their mixtures after being fully discussed, passed.

The bill giving laborers and employees engaged in building railroads under sub contractors a lien on the original contractor or the companies' property was passed by a very large majority.

A bill setting aside capital punishment and fixing the punishment for capital offenses at life imprisonment has been introduced. Much opposition has already been expressed and it is not at all likely that the bill will pass; also one has been offered making she punishment for arson at confined to the punishment of life for less than ten years. The following bills have been introduced and are under consideration: one fixing the punishment for a person firing stumps of forests, at a fine of \$100 and imprisonment from three to twelve months in the county jail; one incorporating the North Jellico Coal Company; one fixing the pay of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals and Supreme Court, which is to be paid by fee-bills, legal fees and commissions of the two Courts, collected by the Auditor; one providing that if any Judge of a Superior Court, Court of Appeals, Circuit or any other Court, or any Clerk of Said Court, Commonwealth's Attorneys or other person in a high position in the Courts, imbibe too freely of intoxicants while on duty, he shall be fined from \$50 to \$500. It is safe to predict that the latter bill will only be introduced.

A funny man who asked, "Where is the state of matrimony?" received the following explanatory answer: "It is in the United States. It is bounded by hugging and kissing on one side, cradles and babies on the other. Its chief products are population, broom-stick and stay out late nights. It was discovered by Adam and Eve while trying to find a north-west passage out of paradise. The climate is rather sultry until you pass the equator, when it becomes cool, and squalling weather generally sets in with sufficient power to keep all hands as cool as cucumbers. For the principal road leading to the interesting state, consult the first pair of blue eyes you run against, and then turn around and take the other road."

Dan Rankins, a painter by trade was run over and killed by a passing train at Water Valley, Graves county.

Fair Play is a Jewel.

For some years, instead of converting infidels to the Christian faith, the Bible, Missionary and Evangelical Societies have organized a miserable pro-lystism amongst Catholic people. Pretended ministers of the Gospel, or touring Soupers, well paid, scatter money plentifully amongst poor Catholics, on condition of obliging them all to add their voices in protest to their lately invented churches and the power of instructing their children in the ideas of the so-called Reformation. They have thus organized a real traffic in consciences, contrary to all Christian nations and unheard of in the annals of the church.

For want of other means, these new apostles (sic) practice a novel simony, but still a real simony. They invite us to believe that they are the only ones who can save us from hell, and that they have received from God. Indeed it can be proud; where they have left their trial, in that in this nefarious traffic there are prices current and a known tariff. This Apostleship of money is a general abuse and reproduced in all directions, not only in the United States, but in England, Scotland, and in New York, the latter under the saintly auspices of Van Meter. His sojourns and base have been its agents that many of the Protestant ministers here and in Europe have openly censured its acts and will not associate with the fraud and easy gentlemen. It was stated lately that some of these agents now—say for that the bubble has burst—that their occupation's gone. Were the names of the converted Priests given? Why not. We have Catholic priests in this country to the number of 8,000 or more. Are they tyrannical? They if tyrants, act very strongly on the conscience of epidemics, and the tramps of the Catholick Priests in this country have conducted against Protestant clergymen, they have always shown personal respect, and have observed the rules of politeness, and all the usages of society. It is desirable that those should keep within the same limits, and not lose it. We should also wish that these outsiders faithful to their own maxim, "Nothing but the Bible," would abstain from the distribution of the thousand religious libels with which they inundate the waysides. These pamphlets, like the tides lately spouted, are filled with palpable untruths, which is a great sin, and are entirely ignorant on the part of ministers, whereas it suffices to open the first book of Catholic doctrine to refute them. But it pays, it pays. All that is wanted is to seal the conversion of our poor Catholicks and their distressed families, or embitter the minds of our neighbors toward us. Now if the mission alluded to do not tempt these esthetic gentlemen; if they can calmly see passing into the bosom of the Church the most learned and respected members of the laity and clergy—or of Protestant Churches, if they do not feel the attraction of the same, then let them hasten to justify their principles and their doctrines before men; if they can calmly see passing into the bosom of the Church the most learned and respected members of the laity and clergy—or of Protestant Churches, if they do not feel the attraction of the same, then let them hasten to justify their principles and their doctrines before men; if they can calmly see passing into the bosom of the Church the most learned and respected members of the laity and clergy—or of Protestant Churches, if they do not feel the attraction of the same, then let them hasten to justify their principles and their doctrines before men; if they can calmly see passing into the bosom of the Church the most learned and respected members of the laity and clergy—or of Protestant Churches, if they do not feel the attraction of the same, then let them hasten to justify their principles and their doctrines before men; 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